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SUBJECT: RFE COVERAGE OF CEAUSESCU VISIT TO US

REF: BUCHAREST 4601 (NOTAL)

1. SUBSEQUENT TO CEAUSESCU VISIT IN US, NON-OFFICIAL ROMANIAN SOURCES HAVE ALLEGED THAT RFE COVERAGE OF TRIP INCLUDED ASSERTION OR SPECULATION THAT PRESIDENT LEFT US EARLIER THAN PLANNED BECAUSE HE FAILED TO GET WHAT HE WANTED IN ECONOMIC FIELD. WHILE WE DID NOT RPT NOT MONITOR BROADCASTS IN QUESTION AND CANNOT VOUCH FOR ACCURACY OF THESE ALLEGATIONS, THIS EXPLANATION FOR SHORTENING OF VISIT IS OBVIOUSLY UNFOUNDED (SINCE DECISION ALREADY KNOWN AT BEGINNING OF TRIP), ALTHOUGH IT DOES REFLECT DISINFORMATION CAMPAIGN PEDDLED BY SOVIETS AND PRO-SOVIET EE'S IN BUCHAREST.

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE CON GEN ASCERTAINING WHETHER THERE IS ANY VALIDITY TO REPORTS THAT RFE HAS DISSEMINATED SPECULATION ABOUT CEAUSESCU'S US TRIP ALONG INDICATED LINES. IF SO, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO KNOW HOW AND WHY THIS SOVIET DISINFORMATION EFFORT RECEIVED FURTHER IMPETUS AND CREDENCE THROUGH RFE.

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